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**James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson, September 9,  
1818, from Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe  
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Dear Sir

Sometime ago you intimated to me a desire to dispose of a small tract of land, which you have between Mr. Alexanders & my land lying below the Blenheim tract. As this is detached from your other lands, it is probable that you may still be desirous parting from it, and that it may fall into other hands, [which I should regret] without an arrangment between us. If my impression is correct, and we can agree, I shall be glad to become the purchaser, with which view I will thank you to state the price per acre. I shall be able to make the payment in Jany next, or sooner if desir'd.

I hope that your health improves. If I can be, in any manner useful to you, in the affairs of the College, during your confinement, I beg you to command me.

With great respect & regard your friend & servant James Monroe

I have finally decided to call my place here "Highland."

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